

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

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1. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy comprising 76 - 83.5 wt% gold and 16.5 - 21.5 wt% aluminum, a gold to aluminum weight ratio of at least 3.66, and having a substantially purple hue.
2. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 1, formed from a molten phase and having a hardness substantially similar to that of the intermetallic compound  $\text{Au}_3\text{Al}$  (78.5 wt% Au and 21.5 wt% Al).
3. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 2, in which the hardness is within 6% of the hardness of the intermetallic compound  $\text{Au}_3\text{Al}$ .
4. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 1, consisting of more than 78.5 wt% and up to and including 83.5 wt% gold and a balance of aluminum.
5. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy formed from a molten phase and consisting of 76 - 83.5 wt% gold and 16.5 - 21.5 wt% aluminum and an additional element selected from the group consisting of palladium and nickel; provided that when

said palladium [or nickel] is present, it is present in an amount by ~~[[wt]]~~ weight of up to 4%; and provided that when said nickel is present, it is present in an amount by ~~[[wt]]~~ weight of up to 2%.

6. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 5, in which the ~~aluminium~~ aluminum content is 18.5 – 19.5 wt%.

7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is palladium and is present in an amount of between 0.5 wt% and 4.0 wt%.

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9. (currently amended) A ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is nickel and is present in an amount of between 1.0 wt% and 2.0 wt%.

10. (currently amended) An article comprising a metal component, wherein the metal component comprises a ~~jewellery~~ jewelry alloy according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1.

11. (currently amended) An article according to claim 10, wherein the article is selected from the group consisting of ornamental ~~jewellery~~ jewelry, medallions and coins.

12. (cancelled)

13. (currently amended) An alloy formed from a molten phase and comprising 16.5 – 21.5 wt% aluminum, 0-4.0 wt% palladium, 0-2 wt% nickel and the balance gold, provided that one of said palladium and nickel is present.

DI 14. (previously presented) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 – 19.5 wt% aluminum, 0.5-4.0 wt% palladium and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.

15. (previously presented) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 – 19.5 wt% aluminum, 1.0-2.0 wt% nickel and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.